REMARKS

This Amendment and Response amends claims 4 and 11. Claims 1-14 are pending in this application.

I. Amendments made to Claims 4 and 11

Claims 4 and 11 have been amended to correct a typographical error. In these claims the phrase "input/out" has been corrected to read "input/output."

II. 35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejections

The Action rejects claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,549,818 to Ali. Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections and request that they be withdrawn.

Ali teaches a cooking appliance including a food-heating unit having a computer-controlled temperature controller and an Internet-accessing appliance computer having a computer program which can download cooking recipes from the Internet. Nowhere in Ali is the concept of a broadband communication system for use in the operation and performance of a high-speed cooking appliance taught or suggested.

In contrast to the teachings of Ali, the present invention relates to the operation of a quick cook oven, which can reduce cooking times to a fraction of the times required by the conventional cooking methods disclosed in Ali. Thus, the cooking recipes that are available to the Ali device are very different than the cooking routines and programs disclosed in the present invention. As the typical residential user of the oven of the present invention is most likely not experienced, and may not be educated, in the operation of a high-speed oven, the cooking

routines and programs available in the present invention provide important operation instructions to the oven, rather than just traditional recipes.

Claims 1 and 8 recite an oven comprising a "plurality of cooking programs. . . for defining a plurality of high speed cooking routines available for use with the oven." Ali does not teach or suggest an oven which uses high speed cooking routines. For at least this reason, Ali fails to anticipate or render obvious claims 1 and 8, as well as claims 2-7 and 9-14, which depend respectively therefrom. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that these rejections be withdrawn.

PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH TIME EXTENSION

Applicants hereby petition that the period for responding to the Examiner's Action mailed on October 27, 2004 be extended for three months, up to and including April 27, 2005. The undersigned attorney believes no further fees are due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to debit deposit account no. 11-0855 to the extent necessary if additional fees are due.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submits that claims 1-14 are in condition for immediate allowance, and request early notification to that effect. If any issues remain to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 404.532.6938.

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